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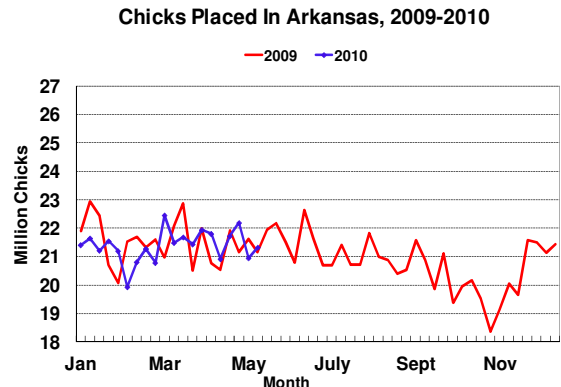
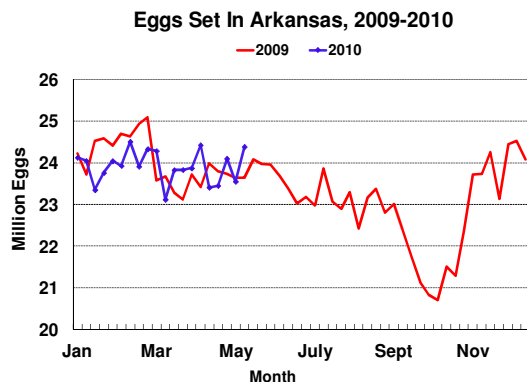


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### Arkansas Chick Placements Up 1 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.3 million during the week ending May 15, 2010. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and up 2 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 15, 2010, up 3 percent from the same period last year and up 4 percent from the previous week.



### Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, April 17, 2010 - May 15, 2010

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	17-Apr	24-Apr	1-May	8-May	15-May	17-Apr	24-Apr	1-May	8-May	15-May
Alabama	30,199	30,083 *	30,944	30,489	30,418	21,377	20,340	21,332	21,383	21,189
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>23,406</b>	<b>23,449</b>	<b>24,096</b>	<b>23,547 *</b>	<b>24,380</b>	<b>20,910</b>	<b>21,719</b>	<b>22,183</b>	<b>20,938 *</b>	<b>21,317</b>
Delaware	3,783	3,787	3,787	3,771	3,796	5,404	4,850	5,150	4,657	5,053
Florida	1,382	1,389	1,380	1,391	1,388	1,102	1,140	955	1,008	1,129
Georgia	31,808	31,695	31,665	31,765	32,414	26,360	25,735	27,144	26,866	26,153
Kentucky	7,711 *	7,577 *	7,846	8,178	7,892	5,994 *	6,167 *	6,824	6,345	5,440
Louisiana	3,500	3,470	3,500	3,319	3,319	3,134	3,187	3,153	3,142	3,296
Maryland	8,906	8,184	7,059	8,050	8,018	5,735	6,353	6,588	6,130	6,446
Mississippi	19,160	19,023	18,816	19,109	19,286	16,879	16,766	16,770	16,814	16,910
N. Carolina	18,704	19,809 *	19,893 *	19,789 *	20,006	15,600	15,578	15,383	15,362	15,547
Oklahoma	6,924	6,705	6,747	6,873	6,924	4,399	3,507	3,609	4,900	4,135
Pennsylvania	3,784	3,802	3,735	3,643 *	3,669	3,029	2,907	2,945	3,048 *	2,893
S. Carolina	5,507	5,667	5,839	5,789	5,796	5,344	5,781	4,485	4,631	5,762
Texas	15,674 *	15,836 *	15,920 *	15,669 *	16,108	12,462	12,830 *	12,937 *	12,909 *	12,952
Virginia	6,531	6,792	6,616	6,531	6,429	4,658	5,035	5,037	5,905	5,487
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,530 *	19,778 *	18,913 *	19,652 *	19,879	16,802 *	17,469 *	17,894 *	16,778 *	18,037
19 State Total	206,509 *	207,046 *	206,756 *	207,565 *	209,722	169,189 *	169,364 *	172,389 *	170,816 *	171,746
Prev. Year Total	203,819	202,068	201,582	204,581	205,499	166,888	169,887	169,262	169,977	168,175
% of Prev. Year	101	102	103	101	102	101	100	102	100	102

\* Revised in current week.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 15, 2010. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 15, 2010. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through May 15, 2010 were 3.20 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.